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In re application of

Jean-Luc GALZI et al.

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USE OF A FLUORESCENT PROTEIN FOR DETECTING INTERACTION BETWEEN A TARGET PROTEIN AND ITS LIGAND

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time to respond to the Official Action of January 17, 2001 for three months to July 17, 2001.

Please charge the extension fee of \$890 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. If this fee is insufficient, the Patent Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

A responsive paper is filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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